
ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Origin: What was to become St. Mary's County was land where the Conoy Indians lived. Here, the English settlement of Lord Baltimore's Maryland began with the arrival of the passengers who had set sail on the *Ark* and the *Dove* from the Isle of Wight on November 22, 1633. They landed at St. Clement's Island in the Potomac River on the southwestern side of present-day St. Mary's County on March 25, 1634. Now, the date of their landing is commemorated annually as Maryland Day.

St. Mary's, the first Maryland county, was established in 1637, probably by an order of the Governor. The County was named in honor of Mary, the mother of Jesus.

County Seat: Leonardtown, MD 20650

Form of Government: County Commissioners

Population: 1990 census: 75,974; 2000 census: 86,211

Websites:

Circuit Court: www.courts.state.md.us/stmarys.html

College of Southern Maryland (Leonardtown campus): www.csm.cc.md.us

County Attorney: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/countyattorney/index.asp

County Commissioners: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/page2.asp

County Government: www.co.saint-marys.md.us

District Court: www.courts.state.md.us/district/directories/courtmap.html#stmarys

Economic & Community Development Dept.: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/decd

Elections Board: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/supervisorofelections/

Emergency Communications: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/emergencycomm/index.asp

Finance Dept.: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/finance/index.asp

Health Dept.: www.smchd.org

Housing Authority: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/housing/index.asp

Human Resources Dept.: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/hro/vacancy

Information Technology Dept.: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/IT/index.asp

Job Service: www.dlir.state.md.us/county/stmarys/

Land Use & Growth Management Dept.: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/lugm/index.asp

Library: www.somd.lib.md.us/STMA/Libraries

Public Defender: www.opd.state.md.us/locations/stmarys.htm

Public Schools: www.smcps.k12.md.us

Public Works & Transportation Dept.: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/dpw

Recreation & Parks: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/recreate

Register of Wills: www.registers.state.md.us/county/sm/html/stmarys.html

St. Mary's County: www.co.saint-marys.md.us

Sheriff: www.firstsheriff.com

Social Services Dept.: www.dhr.state.md.us/stmarys.htm

Southern Maryland Higher Education Center: www.smhec.org

Tourism Division: www.co.saint-marys.md.us/tourism

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Elected by Voters to 4-year terms:

Thomas F. McKay (R), *President (4-year term), At Large*

Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr. (D), *Vice-President (chosen by Board in Jan., 1-year term), Dist. 2*

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EXECUTIVE BRANCH

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